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In re Application of

Larkin, et al.

Application No. 09/771,346

Filed: January 26, 2001

Attorney Docket No. 13841.016US1

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DECISION ON PETITION

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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed March 13, 2006, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-cited application became abandoned for failure to reply in a timely manner to the final Office action mailed January 25, 2005, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. Extension of the time set for reply were available pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a). A response was not received within the allowed period, and the application became abandoned on April 26, 2005. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on August 12, 2005.

The Request for Continued Examination, filed March 13, 2006, is noted.

The request for an extension of time within the third month, filed March 13, 2006, is noted, but cannot be granted and is not necessary as the request was made outside the maximum period for reply and when the application was already in an abandoned status. The amount of \$1,020.00 will be refunded to deposit account 19-0743, in due course.

The application is being forwarded to Technology Center 2100, GAU 2151 for further processing.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3222.

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